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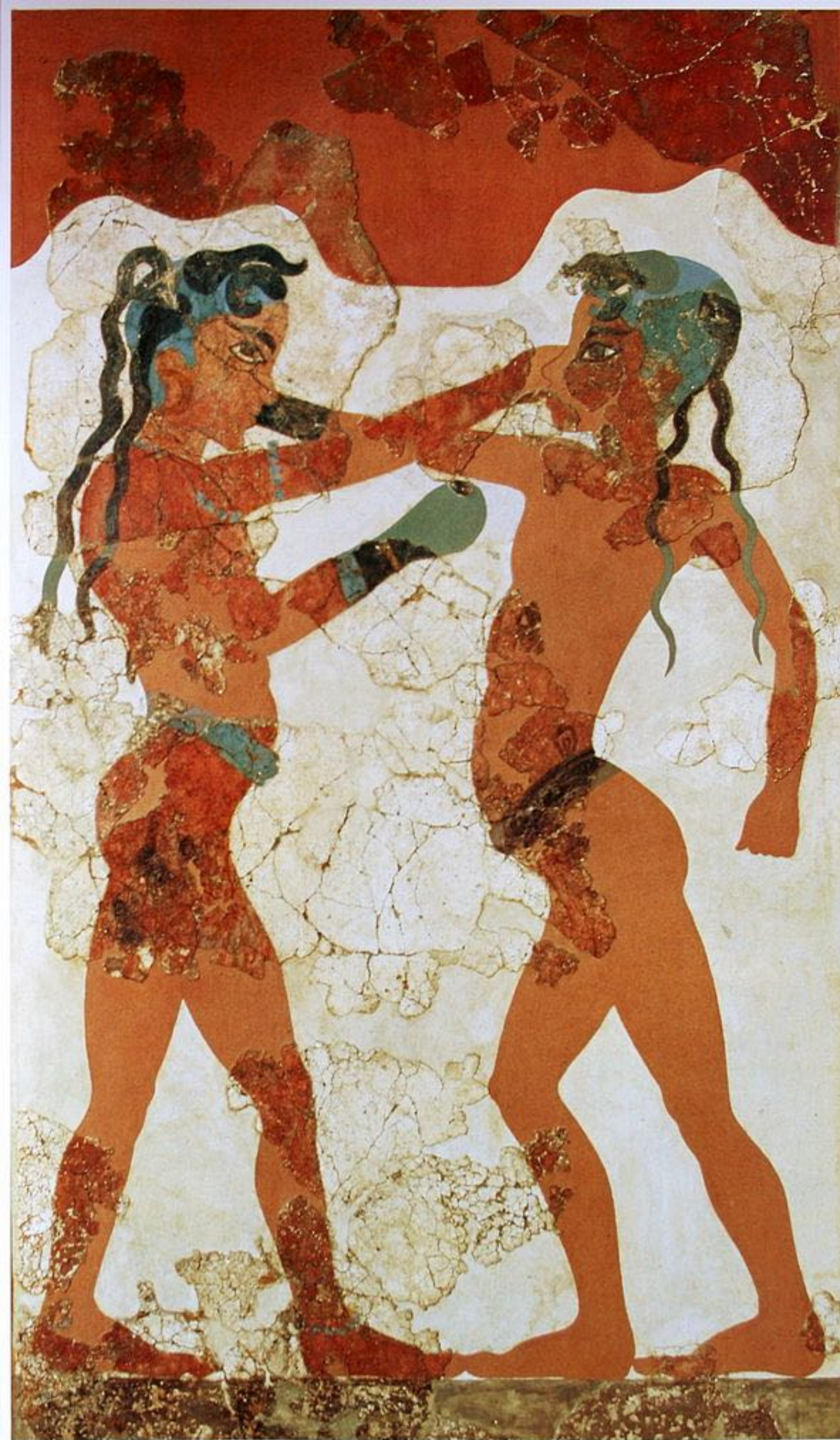
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- **Minoan Crete,  
Knossus, 2800-1400  
BCE**
- **Mycenaeans,  
1600-1100 BCE**
- **Homer and the Ideals  
of later Greeks, ILIAD  
and ODYSSEY**







## **2.2. The Polis: Sparta**



- **“A cog in a machine...”**  
**Boys, at birth, aged 7,  
20, 30 and 60....**
- **Insights of Lycurgus**
- **Helots as Backbone**
- **Women in Sparta**

## **2.3. The Polis: Athens**

- **The Rise of “-archies”  
Theocracy, Monarchy,  
Democracy, Oligarchy,  
Tyranny too!**
- **Solon 594 BCE, Athens  
Compromises**
- **Cleisthenes 508 BCE**

## **2.4. The Persian Wars to 479 BCE**



- **The Ionian Revolt 499 BCE, “The friend of my enemy is my....”**
- **Eretria and Athens 490 BCE**
- **Marathon 490 BCE**

- **“Not if, but when-- the Persians come back.”**
- **Themistocles, Silver and Naval Strategy**
- **Xerxes of Persia**







- **Thermopylae 480 BCE**
- **Salamis 480 BCE**
- **Athens Obliterated**
- **Platea 479 BCE**







## **2.5. The Peloponnesian War, 431-404 BCE**

- **Shortlived, Heroic Unity of Greeks**
- **Sparta and Athens**
- **Athenian Imperialism**
- **War 431-404 BCE**



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- **Periclean Athens:  
Citizenship and the  
Naval Strategy**
- **Plague in Athens, 429  
BCE**
- **War 431-404 BCE**

## **2.6. The Golden Age of Athens**







- **Periclean Athens:  
History, Drama,  
Architecture**
- **Herodotus (died 425  
BCE) and Thucydides  
(died c. 400 BCE)**
- **Objectivity, Reason,  
Study of Mankind**



- **Tragedy of ANTIGONE**  
**Sophocles (died 406 BCE)**
- **Comedy LYSISTRATA**  
**Aristophanes (died 385 BCE)**
- **Social Commentary**  
**Fate, Emotions, Gods**  
**Good and Evil**

## **2.7. Philosophy and Religion**

- **Sophists, Rhetoric Skills**
- **Socrates, (died 399 BCE)**
- **Plato, (died 347 BCE)**
- **Aristotle, (died 322 BCE)**

- **Socrates, Socratic Method, Speculation of All Things, “bitter cup”**
- **Plato, “What is real?” Forms, “The Republic”**
- **Aristotle, Research, Investigate, Senses**

- **Greek Religious Ideas:  
Public, Polytheistic,  
Ritualistic**
- **Twelve Gods, Mt.  
Olympus: Zeus, Athena,  
Aphrodite, Poseidon....**
- **Divination and Oracles**

## **2.8. Macedonian Hegemony: Barbarian Unity**





- **Consolidation of Frontiers**
- **“Barbarian” Unifier of Greek Power by 338 BCE**





## **2.9. Campaigns of Alexander the Great**







- **Philip II Assassinated  
336 BCE**
- **Marched into Asia  
Minor, 334 BCE**





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- **333 BCE Issus Victory,  
Invaded Lebanon**
- **332 BCE Egypt  
Surrendered, Pharaoh**
- **331 BCE Gaugamela  
Victory, Persia  
Collapses**
- **Marched into India, 326  
BCE, Mutiny**







- **Back to Babylon**
- **Alexander as “Son of Hercules”**
- **Renewed Connections:  
East/West**
- **No Clear Heir**



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- **Hellenistic = Greek-like**
- **Many Successor Kingdoms:**
  - **Ptolemy (Egypt)**
  - **Seleucids (Asia)**
- **Common Hellenistic Urban Culture**





- **Hellenistic Trade Network**
- **Exodus of Greeks to Asia and Africa to 250 BCE**
- **Slavery**
- **Rising Roles of Women**

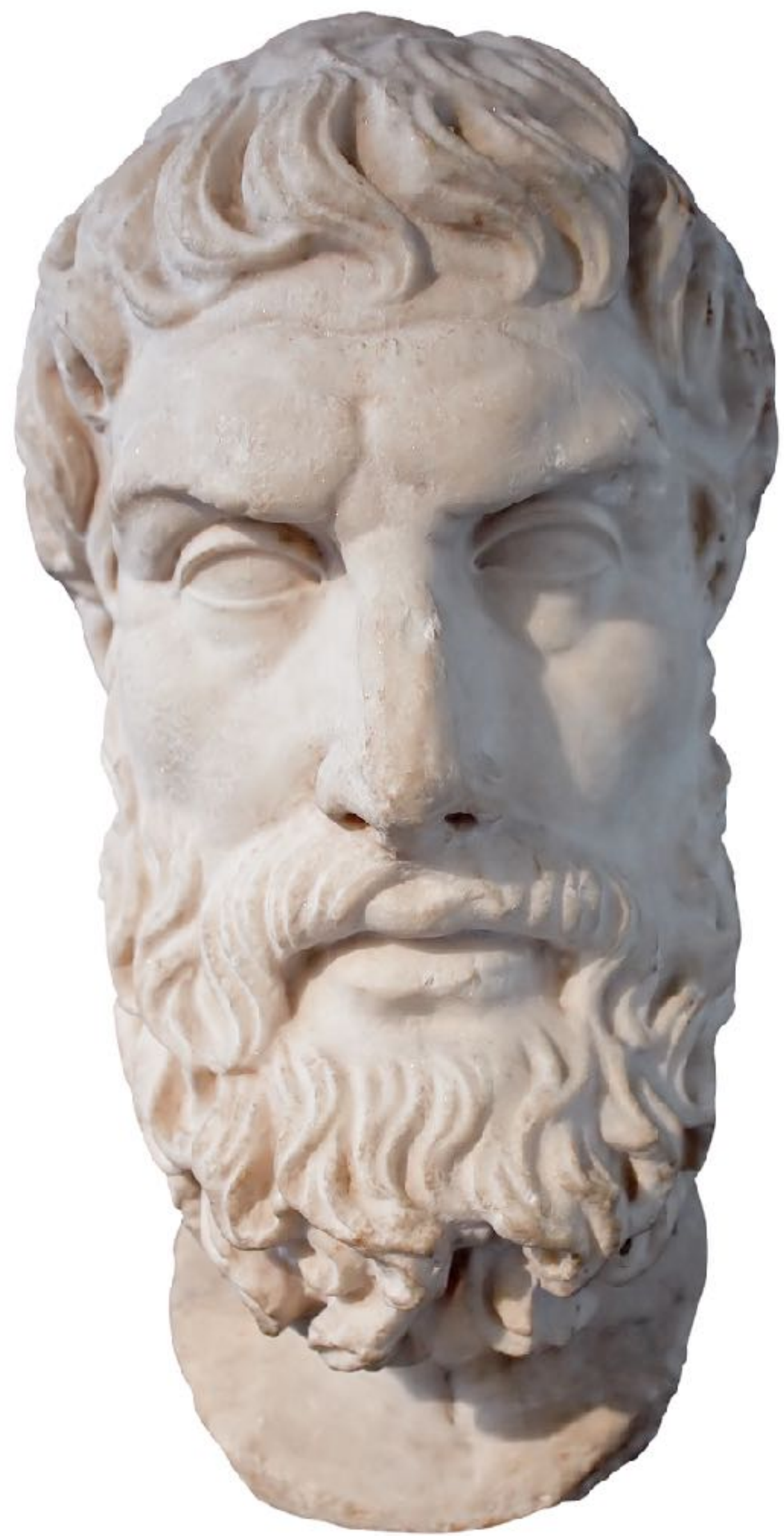


## **2.11. Stoicism, Skepticism, Epicureanism**











- **Stoicism: Happiness in Virtue, Live in Harmony with Divine Will, Engage, Accept Your Duty**
- **Skepticism: Sensory Knowledge is Deceptive, Cannot Prove Anything**
- **Epicureanism: Pursue a Pleasurable Life, Avoid Pain, Withdraw from Life**